

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7532

Investigation into the rates charged by the Town of)
Readsboro Electric Light Department in re: possible)
deviation from approved rates and accuracy of the)
calculation of refunds previously issued)

Order entered: 8/31/2009

PROCEDURAL ORDER CANCELING
PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On June 30, 2009, the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") opened an investigation, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 30(a)(2), 209, and 230, into the rates charged by the Town of Readsboro Electric Light Department ("Readsboro Electric"). The investigation was opened in response to concerns raised by the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department") in Docket 7480, in which the Board approved the acquisition of Readsboro Electric by Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS").

In an Order issued July 23, 2009, the prehearing conference in this docket was rescheduled to Thursday, September 3, 2009, due to the unavailability of both the Department's and Readsboro Electric's attorneys and in anticipation of a tariff filing by Readsboro Electric. In the July 23 Order, I indicated that if Readsboro Electric filed its proposed rate increase by August 31, 2009, the prehearing conference in the current docket might again be rescheduled. Readsboro Electric filed that tariff filing on August 14, 2009. In light of that filing, the prehearing conference in this docket is canceled. It will be rescheduled after the Department files its recommendation on Readsboro Electric's proposed rate increase.¹

In the July 23 Order, I asked the Department to provide an update, if possible, on the status of its review of the issues in this docket at the time it files its recommendation to the Board

1. If an investigation is opened into Readsboro Electric's proposed rate increase, the Board may consider consolidating that docket with this proceeding for the purpose of hearings.

on Readsboro Electric's tariff filing. Such an update would be beneficial before rescheduling the prehearing conference in this docket.

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 31 day of August, 2009.

s/Andrea C. McHugh
Andrea C. McHugh
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: August 31, 2009

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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